REMARKS

Claims 10-12, 15, 18, 23 and 24 are pending. Claims 1-9, 13-14, 16-17, 19-22 and 25 were canceled. Claims 10 and 12 were amended to address the Examiner's claim objections.

Claim objections

Claims 10 and 12 were amended as suggested by the Examiner.

Prior Art Rejections

The prior art rejections are believed to be moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1-9, 13-14, 16-17, 19-22 and 25.

Allowable Subject Matter

All currently pending claims were indicated as being allowable by the Examiner.

Conclusion

Insofar as the Examiner's objections and rejections were fully addressed, the instant application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowability of all pending claims is therefore earnestly solicited.

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